## Six tips for successful winter driving

It's time to start thinking about winter driving in the Palouse. These things may take a little more time up front, but can save you a lot of time and money by avoiding collisions or getting stuck. Here are some tips to help you while navigating Pullman streets and hills during this winter season.

- 1. Warm up your vehicle and clear snow from it to make sure you can use all windows and mirrors and people can see your vehicle's turn signals and brake lights. Snow can be too much for your vehicle's wipers to remove and could keep you from seeing clearly. Helpful Hint: Keep a soft bristle broom near your door to clear off the snow.
- 2. Plan your route. Be aware of alternate routes to and from your usual destinations. Learn other routes that may not be as steep during times when the snowplows and sanders may not have had a chance to get to your usual route.

  Helpful Hint: Check the city bus routes map. These routes are usually the first to be plowed and sanded.
- 3. Slow down and increase following distances. When roads are covered with snow and ice, the last thing you want to do is to slam on brakes or turn suddenly. These moves can cause you to lose control of your vehicle on slick roads. This is also true when the roads appear to be clear. The gravel placed on the road to improve snow and ice traction can have an opposite effect on dry roads. Remember gravel tends to build up on the shoulder, centerline, at stop signs and at the bottoms of hills.

  Helpful Hint: Leave yourself plenty of time to get places. What may have only taken a few minutes during good weather, may take several minutes during winter weather.
- 4. Be prepared for what may be around the corner. Remember that just because the road is clear where you are now, does not mean it will be clear around the corner. Tree cover and low road use can cause some roads to be covered with snow and ice when others are clear. Also, freezing temperatures can create black ice in shady and windy areas. Avoid using your vehicle's cruise control during poor weather, including rain anytime of the year. Your vehicle does not know when it's a proper time to accelerate or brake during slick road conditions. Your vehicle may choose to accelerate in a corner or too quickly, causing you to lose control.
  - Helpful Hint: Start looking for areas of shade and high wind on your morning commute.
- 5. Be ready for an emergency. Whether you are traveling in town or across the state, make sure to have the proper supplies. Keep your fuel tank at least half full. Have a heavy coat, snow pants, gloves, hat, boots, and a blanket in your vehicle when traveling in winter conditions. You may also want to have a small shovel and some sand or other traction aids, such as tire chains. If you do end up stuck, you may not be able to depend on help being there right away. Also there may not be someone there to assist, so having a shovel to dig out or sand to provide traction may help you get on your way sooner than later. Helpful Hint: Get a tote to put these items in. This will keep them clean and dry until they are needed. The last thing you want is to find out all these items are wet and dirty from something else in your vehicle. It will also ensure they stay together during a collision.
- 6. Give your car a checkup. Most importantly, before any winter driving, make sure your vehicle is ready for winter: that your tires are not worn beyond their usefulness; the coolant in your vehicle is sufficient for the cold temperatures; and that your windshield wipers work and are fitted with well working blades.

## Meet Pulitzer Prize-winning author at your library

Join us for a not-to-miss author event with Pulitzer Prize winner **Anthony Doerr** at Neill Public Library at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 13. Doerr and his bestselling novel All the Light We Cannot See was selected as the featured book and speaker for the 15th annual Everybody Reads community reading program. Doerr also will appear in other venues around the Palouse and Lewiston-Clarkston Valley, including a reservation-only catered luncheon (\$12) at noon on Friday, Nov. 13 at the Colfax Branch of Whitman County Library. Call (877) 733-3375.

Everybody Reads sponsors include the Idaho Humanities Council, Confluence Press, Lewiston Tribune, Moscow Pullman Daily News, Whitman County Gazette, ...And Books, Too!, The Bookie of Pullman, Main Street Books of Colfax, Book People of Moscow, Clarkston Quality Inn & Suites and Sixth Street Retreat.

#### **Adult Programs**

For more information call Adult Librarian **Dan Owens**, 338-3251.

- **Grand Avenue Book Club** meets at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5 in the Hecht meeting room to discuss *Orphan Train* by **Christina Baker Kline**. For more information contact **Rezina** or **Michelle** at 334-3595.
- **Good Yarns** knit and crochet group meets from 1-2:30 p.m. every Friday in the Hecht meeting room. There will be no meeting on Nov. 27. For more information contact **Randi** at 334-3595.
- **Sew Happy** hand and machine sewing club meets 10-11:30 a.m. every Tuesday in the Hecht meeting room. For more information contact **Linhda** at 332-5340 or **linhdasagen@yahoo.com**.

## Children's Programs

No children's programs Nov. 3-5 due to staff training.

#### Wednesdays

- Mother Goose Time (newborns-24 months) meets from 9:30-10 a.m.
- Time for Twos Story Time (2-3 years) from 10:30-11 a.m.

## **Thursdays**

- Mother Goose Time (newborns-24 months) meets from 9:30-10 a.m.
- Time for Twos Story Time (2-3 years) from 10:30-11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time** (3-5 years) from 10:30-11 a.m.

For information contact Children's Librarian Kathleen Ahern at 338-3258.

## **Library Hours**

Mon • 1-7 p.m.
Tue • 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Wed & Thu • 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Fri & Sat • 1-5 p.m.

Neill Public Library • 210 N. Grand Ave www.neill-lib.org • 334-3595

## **ACTIVE ADULTS**

# Brain Games and Dancing at Hillyard

Sign up today at the Senior Center for any spaces left to go to Hillyard. Their senior center has challenged us to brain games such as "Family Feud". We will join them for lunch followed by a great dance to live music. This is for both singles and couples. Home pickup begins at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4. We leave city hall at 8:30 a.m. and return about 5 p.m. \*Fee: \$10, which includes meal, dancing, transportation, and escort.

## INB Theatre presents 'Mark Twain'

This is one of the most acclaimed and enduring performances in the history of theatre. Fifty years ago, a young actor took the stage in a tiny off-Broadway theatre and introduced the world to a man they would never forget. The actor was **Hal Holbrook** and the man was **Mark Twain**. We will have dinner at the Steam Plant before the show. Home pickup begins at 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14. We leave city hall at

4 p.m. and return about 11 p.m. Register by Nov. 2. No refunds after that date, as tickets are pre-purchased. \*Fee: \$66, which includes admission, transportation, and escort. Meal cost is not included.

## INB Theatre presents Mannheim Steamroller

Synonymous with Christmas, this group is a favorite holiday tradition for the past 30 years—musical magic that everyone knows and loves. The show features unique music and dazzling multimedia special effects created by Grammy winner **Chip Davis**. We will have an early dinner at Luigi's Italian restaurant. Home pickup begins at 2:30 p.m. and we leave city hall at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 22. Register by Nov. 6. No refunds after that date, as tickets are pre-purchased. \*Fee: \$72, which includes transportation, admission and escort. Meal cost is not included.

## Holiday Bazaar

Don't miss this annual community event from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 18 and 19 at the city hall senior center! Find a great Christmas gift among various handcrafted gifts, book sale (hardback and paperback), DVDs, VHS, puzzles, and more. Also, delicious baked goods will be on sale. The \$6 lunch, served from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on both days, includes barbecue beef sandwiches, coleslaw, pie and coffee. Proceeds support the Pullman Senior Citizens Association.

## Council on Aging Thanksgiving Meal

Join us at the Pullman Senior Center in city hall at 11:45 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 20 for a delicious meal prepared by our cooks and delightful assistants as we celebrate all that we're thankful for! Home pickup begins at 10 a.m. Suggested donation for the COA meals:

60 yrs. and older ...... \$4.25 59 yrs. and younger ...... \$6.50

## The MEGA Shopping Trip

Finishing or just beginning your holiday shopping? For our MEGA shopping spree, we will shop two areas—Northtown Mall and Northpoint. Take advantage of the seasonal sales. We'll do all the driving, while you do all your shopping. Choose your lunch location at either stop. Home pickup begins at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 24. We leave city hall at 9 a.m. and return about 5:30 p.m. Register by Nov. 23.

\*Fee: \$13, which includes transportation and escort. Meal cost is not included.

\*All registrants who live outside Pullman city limits will be charged an additional \$2.

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NOTE: Many of these trips are listed in the 2015 Fall Parks and Recreation brochure and may fill up due to pre-registration. Call for info at 338-3307 or 338-3227.

## **Warning: Deer Crossing**



Davis Way is one of the worst sections of road for vehicle/deer collisions within city limits. This year, public works looked at these reported accidents along Davis Way and found that the overwhelming majority occurred within a 1-mile stretch of Davis Way, west from Olsen Street past Cory Lane. Warning signs are posted, so when you are out there driving, don't ignore them

# Cool outside, warm inside at PAFC

Enjoy a swim and visit www. pullmanparksandrec.com to check out our full brochure of programs and to download a pool schedule!

Tube Time: 1-3 p.m. M-W, Nov. 23-25

PAFC closes early 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25

Closed Thanksgiving Th-F, Nov. 26-27

Pullman Aquatic and Fitness Cente 500 NW Larry Street • Pullman 338-3290

## 2015 Leaf collection schedule

The annual city leaf collection for residential areas will start Monday, Nov. 9 and continue through Wednesday, Nov. 25. If there is a large accumulation of ice and/or snow between the listed dates, the leaf program may have to be suspended in favor of conducting snow and ice control operations. It may then be the responsibility of the property owner to remove any leaves that have been raked into the street.

#### What to do:

- No earlier than two days prior to your scheduled collection, please rake your leaves into the street next to the curb.
- To facilitate city vehicle access, please park cars in a legal, off-street parking area
  on the days that city crews are scheduled to be in your area.

### What not to do:

- Don't bag your leaves. Leaves are recycled and used for mulching purposes and are delivered directly from the street to the mulch pile. Bagged leaves will not be collected.
- Don't include tree branches or grass clippings. Piles containing anything other than leaves will not be collected.

There is no set schedule by street, only by hill as listed. As time allows, the street sweepers will follow leaf collection crews.

M, Tu & Th, Nov. 9, 10 and 12	NW Military Hill
F, M & Tu, Nov. 13, 16 and 17	
W, Th & F, Nov. 18, 19 and 20	SE Pioneer Hill
M, Tu & W, Nov. 23, 24 and 25	NE College Hill

# **Directory of City Officials**

## **Elected Officials**

Glenn A. Johnson...Mayo Francis Benjamin......Councilmembe Jeff Hawbaker
Councilmembe Fritz Hughes
Councilmembe Eileen Macoll
Councilmembe Al Sorensen
Councilmembe Nathan Weller
Councilmembe Pat Wright Council

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Karen SiresHuman Res. Mgr.
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Phone: 338-3208 • Fax: 334-2751
Police Nonemergency Services: 334-0802
Web address: www.pullman-wa.gov

## Online reporting fast and easy

Pullman residents can report non-urgent nuisance violations and graffiti online on the Pullman Police Department Web site www.pullman-wa.gov/police under the menu item Online Services. Be aware that follow up to online nuisance reporting can take up to three days, so reports should be limited to those nuisances that are not an imminent public hazard. For timelier follow up, residents should report the nuisance by calling non-emergency dispatch at 332-2521. A detailed list of nuisance violations can be found in Section 5.01 of the Pullman City Code on the city Web site under the menu item City Code.

Residents can also report graffiti online to facilitate timely clean up. Help us keep Pullman graffiti-free! We are asking everyone to report graffiti on public and private property in Pullman and we will work to remove it as soon as possible. Research and experience show that rapid removal is the most effective way to reduce repeat attacks of illegal graffiti. If you are a renter or property owner/manager, we can help you to remove graffiti from your property. But we need you to help us by reporting graffiti. Remember, graffiti attracts graffiti.

The city works cooperatively with Washington State University, Center for Civic Engagement and Associated Students of Washington State University to abate graffiti from public property and assist responsible parties with the abatement of graffiti from private property. Instructions for reporting by phone are also provided on the online graffiti reporting Web page.

## **PARKS & RECREATION**

## Thank You!

A special thank you to sponsors of the Pullman Parks and Recreation 7th Annual Care-To-Share Fun Run held on Oct. 3: Anytime Fitness, Pickard Orthodontics, Hilliard's Heating and Plumbing, Pullman Radio, and city of Pullman Wellness Program.

## **Adult Basketball**

Get your team ready for another exciting year of City League Basketball! Pioneer Center staff will accept team registrations Nov. 3-7 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Individuals interested in having their names made available to team captains should contact Parks and Recreation at 338-3227. Games will be played at Sunnyside Elementary School Gym in Pullman and the Hamilton Indoor Recreation Center in Moscow. Expected dates of play are Sunday, Monday and Wednesday evenings, Nov. 30 – Feb. 29. Team fee: \$525.

## **Holiday Bread Making**

A fresh, warm loaf of homemade bread is hard to beat, easy to make, and a little knowledge goes a long way. Instructor **Mayalisa Bordenkircher** will demonstrate both basic white and basic wheat breads at all stages of mixing, rising, proofing and baking. We will discuss

some of the basic science and methods behind a great and consistent loaf of bread. There will be baked samples and recipe variations to take home. Classes will be offered from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10, and from 10 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Nov. 14. \*Fee: \$15.

## Free! So you want to be a landlord?

Whitman County Landlord-Tenant Association (WCLTA) is offering a free workshop for all landlords or those who might be considering owning residential rental property and have questions and concerns. Topics include applicant screening, rental agreements and leases, management alternatives, Washington State Landlord-Tenant Law, insuring your rental property, and property maintenance. For questions about the course content or about WCLTA please contact **Anita** at 332-8602 or visit **www.wclta.com**. This free workshop will be held from 6:45-8:30 p.m. on Nov. 12, at the Pioneer Center. Please pre-register at 338-3227.

## **Holiday Evergreen Wreath Decorating**

Enjoy a festive holiday evening with the staff from Neill's Flowers and Gifts. Mitch will share his expertise on creating a fresh evergreen wreath with a wonderful assortment of beautiful fresh-cut winter greens. Participants may bring a special decoration from home to include in their fresh wreath or purchase something special from a collection on the many holiday display trees. Please bring a pair of clippers and/or wire cutters. All other supplies will be provided. Class will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 1. \*Fee: \$30.

# Manners 101: Etiquette & Social Skills for Life!

In this fast-paced and fun skill-building class, youth will learn manners and skills for various social situations. Burping? Hats in restaurants? Elbows on the table? No! No! No! Learn how to set tables, use utensils in formal settings, and how to follow social rules! Learn to navigate ordering at restaurants and much more. This class includes a snack with full table settings. Everyone will have a blast and learn life skills at the same time. Youth ages 7-12 are welcome to register for this class to be held from 3:30-6:30 p.m. on Nov. 17, \*Fee: \$25.

\*All registrants who live outside Pullman city limits will be charged an additional \$2.

For more information or to register, go to www. pullmanparksandrec.com or call 338-3227.